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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

In reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on January 28, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (Attachment 1) indicates that the status identifier for claim 5 is incorrect. Additionally, Applicants note that the status identifiers for claims 13 and 14 were also incorrect. Accordingly, Applicants have corrected the status identifiers for claims 5, 13 and 14 and enclose a corrected replacement copy of the entire claim set in proper format (Attachment 2).

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment further states that claims 2 – 10, 12 – 14, and 21 – 22 have been amended without changes indicated. Applicants have corrected these errors, (see, for example, claim 1 vs. **Claim 1**, etc.).

With the submission of this reply, and in view of the foregoing amendment, it is respectfully submitted that all claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge fee deficiencies or credit overpayments associated with this submission to the NIXON PEABODY LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0850.

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